

## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

March 6, 2008

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Response Due Date: April 7, 2008

Identification Number: C00431577

Reference: Year End Report (10/1/07 - 12/31/07)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action. Additional information is needed for the following 4 items:

- 1. Schedules B-P supporting Line 28(a) of the detailed Summary Page discloses contribution refunds. However Schedule A-P, supporting Line 17(a) of the Detailed Summary Page discloses negative entries to some of the same individuals and are described as "contribution refund." Please be advised, refunds to individuals should only be disclosed on Schedule B-P supporting line 28(a). Duplicating these entries can cause incorrect cash on hand calculations. Please correct this discrepancy by and file an amendment to your report(s). (11 CFR § 104.3(b))
- 2. Please provide a Schedule C to support the amount reported on Line 19(b) of the Detailed Summary Page. Each person or financial institution who makes a loan to your committee, or to the candidate acting as an agent of the committee, must be itemized on Schedule A-P and Schedule C-P. The itemization on Schedule A-P must include the full name, mailing address and zip code, along with the name of his/her employer, his/her occupation, the date of the contribution/loan and the election cycle-to-date amount of contributions made by the person. Schedule C-P must include any endorser or guarantor of the loan, the date the loan was made and all other terms of the loan. If the loan is from the candidate, you must indicate

whether it is from his/her personal funds, or was obtained by the candidate from a bank loan, brokerage account, credit card, home equity line of credit or other line of credit. (11 CFR § 104.3(a)(4)(iv))

- 3. Your report discloses a loan from a lending institution; however, you have not submitted a electronic Schedule C-P-1. As an electronic filer, you must submit the Schedule C-P-1 electronically without the original signature from the lending institution. Please amend your report to provide these missing documents. (11 CFR §§ 104.3(d)(1) and (2), 104.18(h))
- 4. Commission Regulations define the term "purpose" to mean a brief statement or description of why a disbursement was made. Examples are "dinner expense," "media," "salary," "polling," "travel," "party fees," "phone banks," "travel expenses," "travel expense reimbursement," and "catering costs." Examples of election day and voter registration activity include "exit polling," "door-to-door get out the vote," "get out the vote phone calls," and "driving voters to the polls." Unacceptable descriptions, which require additional clarification, include but are not limited to "advance," "consulting," "political consulting," "commission," "contract labor," "retainer," "election day expense," "expenses," "invoice," "support," "expense reimbursement," "miscellaneous," "professional services," "get-out-the-vote," "voter registration," "phone bank (to an individual)". (11 CFR § 104.3(b)(4)(A))

Additional clarification regarding inadequate purposes of disbursement published in the Federal Register can be found at <a href="http://www.fec.gov/law/policy/purposeofdisbursement/inadequate\_purpose\_list\_3507.pdf">http://www.fec.gov/law/policy/purposeofdisbursement/inadequate\_purpose\_list\_3507.pdf</a>. Please amend Schedule B-P of your report to correct the descriptions that do not meet the requirements of the Regulations.

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any

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questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1132.

Sincerely,

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